GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Help to Stranded Indians
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) the country-wise details of Indian nationals stranded in various strife torn countries who sought Government of India"s support during the last two years; and

(b) whether the Indian nationals seeking such support have been rescued and brought back to the country and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) & (b) The Government of India has accorded the highest priority to ensure the safety and well-being of Indian nationals abroad. During the last two years, the government has undertaken evacuation of Indian nationals from countries affected by war, internal strife and natural disasters. The government has also assisted in repatriation of Indian nationals from abroad for various other reasons including those caught in contingency situations, impacted by economic slowdown in the Gulf region and facing difficulty due to employment related issues.

As per available information from Indian Missions and Posts abroad, 1,23,098 Indian nationals sought government's support and 95,665 Indian nationals were brought back to India during the last two years. Country wise details are enclosed at Annexure.